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APPLICANTS: Pirmin ROMBACH et al. CONF. NO.: 1309
SERIAL NO.: 09/964,897 GROUP: 2643
FILED: September 28, 2001 EXAMINER: Suhani NI
FOR: MICROMACHINED MAGNETICALLY BALANCED MEMBRANE ACTUATOR
DOCKET NO.: 45900-000663/US

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

Technology Center 2600

Responsive to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement dated March 11, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-referenced application.

REMARKS

The Examiner required restriction of one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-17, drawn to the structures/structural elements of a miniature actuator, classified in class 381, subclass 152.
- II. Claims 18-22, drawn to the structures/structural elements of a diaphragm, classified in class 381, subclass 431.

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TRANSMITTAL FORM

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		Application Number	09/964,897
		Filing Date	September 28, 2001
		First Named Inventor	Pirmin ROMBACH et al.
		Group Art Unit	2643
		Examiner Name	Suhan NI
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